

Western Coast (Old Continent)

Search

Page theme ☰ default ☀ light ☾ dark



This article is an expansion based on a canon element. For canon information on this topic, follow the link to The Witcher Wiki: [Continent](#).



This fan-fiction article, **Western Coast (Old Continent)**, was written by [Witcher190](#). Please do not edit this fiction without the writer's permission.

The **Western Coast**, or simply **the West**, was the term used by travelers and merchants from [Beyond the Seas](#) to refer to the region of the [Old Continent](#) inhabited by Nordlings and Nilfgaardians. This region was erroneously referred to by these two groups—out of sheer ethnocentrism—as “*the Continent*”, despite the fact that it constituted only a fraction of a much vaster world.

Following the discovery of the [Western Continent](#) in the 14th century, and the beginning of its colonization toward the end of that century by Nordlings, Nilfgaardians, and Zangvebarians alike, the term [Western Coast](#) was reassigned to the opposite edge of that newly discovered landmass. Consequently, the western coastline of the Old Continent came to be known, as mentioned before, simply as the West.

Western Coast



Information

Variation(s) The West

Trivia

Type	Region
Country	Northern Kingdoms and Nilfgaardian Empire

The term “*the Continent*”, as this article aims to clarify, is a misnomer. While it was gradually accepted within the fan community and it later became mainstream—especially after the release of the Netflix adaptation—despite being inaccurate.

If the Old Continent were limited solely to the Northern Kingdoms and the Nilfgaardian Empire, the setting would lack the realism that so strongly characterizes Sapkowski’s work. Moreover, the books explicitly reference lands that are not part of this western coastal region yet are still located on the Old Continent, such as [Haakland](#) or [Zerrikania](#).

Therefore, the correct term to define the territory composed of the Northern Kingdoms and the Nilfgaardian Empire would be the Western Coast, while the broader landmass should properly be referred to as the Old Continent, as we know of the existence of others.

Image Credits

- *Western Coast Map* by [DatTransChick](#)[↗]



[BreezeWiki source code](#)

[Documentation and more information](#)

[Chat / Bug reports / Feature requests](#)

This unofficial instance is based off the BreezeWiki source code, but is not controlled by the code developer.

This page displays proxied content from [https://the-witcher-fanon.fandom.com/wiki/Western_Coast_\(Old_Continent\)](https://the-witcher-fanon.fandom.com/wiki/Western_Coast_(Old_Continent)). Text content is available under the CC-BY-SA license, [see license info](#). Media files may have different copying restrictions.

Fandom is a trademark of Fandom, Inc. BreezeWiki is not affiliated with Fandom.